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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) (37 C.F.R. 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

NOTE:

There is no limit to the number of times the fee for continued examination may be

submitted. Notice of March 10, 2000, 65 Fed Reg 14865, at 14868.

NOTE:

Unlike a continuation application, a continued examination request can utilize the

mailing procedure of 37 C.F.R. 1.8. See 37 C.F.R.  $\S$  1.8(a)(2)(i)(A).

## TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2.	This request is being submitted (check appropriate item(s) below):				
	i. [X] Prior to abandonment of the application				
	ii. [ ] Payment of the issue fee				
	[ ] Prior to payment of issue fee				
	[ ] Issue fee has been paid but a petition under § 1.313 was filed (copy attached	d).			
	iii. [ ] Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences	•			
	[ ] A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferent that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.	ıces			
	iv. [ ] Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. 145	or			
	[ ] Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146				
	[ ] Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action				
	[ ] Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated				

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# PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS

3.	Please Enter and Consider the following Previously Submitted Documents:
	[ ] Amendment filed [ ] Brief on Appeal filed [ ] Other:
	ENCLOSURES
4.	Enclosed herewith is/are:
	[ ] An Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449
	[ ] An Identification of Copending Application(s) and Form PTO-1449
	[X] An Amendment
	[ ] New arguments
	[ ] New evidence in support of patentability
	[ ] Other:
	FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).
5.	This application is on behalf of:
	[ ] Small entity (and status is still as small entity) \$385.00
	[X] Other than a small entity \$770.00
	Continued Prosecution Request Fee \$770.00

#### OR

(b) [ ] Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

## TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

8. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (§ 1.17(e))

\$770.00

Fee(s) for additional claims (if any) (§ 1.16(b)-(d))

\$

Extension of time fee (if any) ( $\S 1.17(a)(1)-(4)$ )

\$110.00

Total Fee(s) Due: \$880.00

## PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

9. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

[X] Check is attached for the sum of

\$880.00

[ ] Charge Deposit Account No. 50-1446 the sum of

\$

[x] Please charge any required additional fee(s) for § 1.17(e), § 1.16(b)-(d) and/or § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to Deposit Account No. 50-1446.

Respectfully submitted,

December 24, 2003

Date

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## FEE FOR CLAIMS

6. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	(4) Highest Number Previously Paid	(5) No. of Extra Claims Present	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS	10	MIN US	20	0	0	0
INDEP. CLAIMS	1	MIN US	3	0	0	0
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(c) [X] No additional fee is required.

OR

(d) [ ] Total additional fee required is \$.

## **EXTENSION OF TIME**

- 7. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.
  - (a) [X] Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total number of months checked below:

	Extension (Months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
~	One Month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
	Two Months	\$ 420.00	\$ 210.00
	Three Months	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00
	Four Months	\$1,480.00	\$ 740.00

**Extension Fee** 

\$ <u>110.00</u>

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.